

16 December 1948

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

1. On 16 December 1948 Colonel W. T. Guest, Chief, Army Communications Service, telephoned and requested that I estimate the volume of traffic which we desired to file over the Army facilities from the Far East when our new station on Okinawa is in operation.

2. I told Colonel Guest that we estimated that our file originating in Okinawa would amount to approximately 20,000 words daily with an additional 5,000 words daily continuing to originate in Tokyo. I further advised him that due to the desire of our consumers for us to increase our Far Eastern coverage as rapidly as possible, we were strongly considering the possibility of opening up on Okinawa on an improvised basis before completion of the permanent station. If we should open up on an improvised basis, we might be in operation on Okinawa in the spring or summer of 1949. If we waited for completion of the permanent station, it would be late 1949 before our operation on Okinawa could get started.

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